by the Commission upon proper showing in any particular case. Transfer of control of the construction permit shall not be considered to justify extension of these deadlines.

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Subpart C—Technical Requirements

§ 100.21 Technical requirements.

Prior to the 1983 Regional Administrative Radio Conference for the Broadcasting-Satellite Service, interim direct broadcast satellite systems shall be operated in accordance with the sharing criteria and technical characteristics contained in Annexes 8 and 9 of the Final Acts of the World Administrative Radio Conference for the Planning of the Broadcasting-Satellite Service in Frequency Bands 11.7-12.2 GHz (in Regions 2 and 3) and 11.7-12.5 GHz (in Region 1), Geneva, 1977; Provided, however. That upon adequate showing systems may be implemented that use values for the technical characteristics different from those specified in the Final Acts if such action does not result in interference to other operational or planned systems in excess of that determined in accordance with Annex 9 of the Final Acts.

Subpart D—Operating Requirements

§ 100.51 Equal employment opportunities.

- (a) General policy. Equal opportunity in employment shall be afforded all licensees or permittees of direct broadcast satellite stations licensed as broadcasters to all qualified persons, and no person shall be discriminated against in employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, or sex.
- (b) Equal employment opportunity program. Each station shall establish, maintain, and carry out a positive continuing program of specific practices designed to assure equal opportunity in every aspect of station employment policy and practice. Under the terms of its program, a station shall:
- (1) Define the responsibility of each level of management to ensure a positive application and vigorous enforce-

ment of the policy of equal opportunity, and establish a procedure to review and control managerial and supervisory performance.

- (2) Inform its employees and recognized employee organizations of the positive equal employment opportunity policy and program and enlist their cooperation.
- (3) Communicate the station's equal employment opportunity policy and program and its employment needs to sources of qualified applicants without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, or sex, and solicit their recruitment assistance on a continuing basis.
- (4) Conduct a continuing campaign to exclude every form of prejudice or discrimination based upon race, color, religion, national origin, or sex from the station's personnel policies and practices and working conditions.
- (5) Conduct continuing review of job structure and employment practices and adopt positive recruitment, training, job design and other measures needed in order to ensure genuine equality of opportunity to participate fully in all organizational units, occupations and levels of responsibility in the station.
- (c) Applicants for a construction permit for a new facility, for authority to obtain assignment of the construction permit or license of such a station, for authority to acquire control of an entity holding such construction permit or license, (other than pro forma or involuntary assignments of transfers) and for renewal of license, shall file with the FCC programs designed to provide equal employment opportunities for American Indians and Alaskan Natives; Asians and Pacific Islanders; Blacks, not of Hispanic origin; Hispanics; and women, or amendments to such programs. Guidelines for the preparation of such programs are set forth in Forms 396 and 396A. A program need not be filed by an applicant who employs or proposes to employ less than five full-time employees. Additionally, a program for minority group members need not be filed if minorities constitute less than five percent, in the

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aggregate, of the labor force in the applicant's labor recruitment area. Applicants exempt from the filing requirement should submit a statement of explanation with their applications.

- (d) Each licensee or permittee with five or more full-time employees shall file an annual employment report with the FCC on or before May 31 of each year on FCC Form 395.
- (e) Notwithstanding other EEO provisions within these rules, an entity that uses an owned or leased DBS facility operating under this part to provide more than one channel of video programming directly to the public must comply with the equal employment opportunity requirements set forth in part 76, subparts E and U of this chapter, if such entity exercises control (as defined in part 76, subparts E and U of this chapter) over the video programming it distributes.

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§ 100.53 Geographic service requirements.

- (a) Those holding DBS permits or licenses as of January 19, 1996 must either:
- (1) Provide DBS service to Alaska and Hawaii from one or more orbital locations before the expiration of their current authorizations; or
- (2) Relinquish their western DBS orbital/channel assignments at the following orbital locations: 148° W.L., 157° W.L., 166° W.L., and 175° W.L.
- (b) Those acquiring DBS authorizations after January 19, 1996 must provide DBS service to Alaska and Hawaii where such service is technically feasible from the acquired orbital location.

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Subpart E—Competitive Bidding Procedures for DBS

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§ 100.71 DBS subject to competitive bidding.

Mutually exclusive initial applications to provide DBS service are subject to competitive bidding procedures. The general competitive bidding procedures found in part 1, subpart Q of this chapter, will apply unless otherwise provided in this part.

§ 100.72 Competitive bidding design for DBS construction permits.

- (a) The Commission will employ the following competitive bidding designs when choosing from among mutually exclusive initial applications to provide DBS service:
- (1) Single round sealed bid auctions (either sequential or simultaneous);
 - (2) Sequential oral auctions;
- (3) Combined sealed bid-oral auctions:
- (4) Sequential multiple round electronic auctions; or
- (5) Simultaneous multiple round auctions.
- (b) The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau may design and test alternative procedures. The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau will announce by Public Notice before each auction the competitive bidding design to be employed in a particular auction.
- (c) The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau may use combinatorial bidding, which would allow bidders to submit all or nothing bids on combinations of construction permits, in addition to bids on individual construction permits. The Commission may require that to be declared the high bid, a combinatorial bid must exceed the sum of the individual bids by a specified amount. Combinatorial bidding may be used with any type of auction design.
- (d) The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau may use single combined auctions, which combine bidding for two